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Maryland State Board of Victim Services Governor's Victim Assistance Awards Luncheon

Luncheon's Guest Speakers Will Tell a Harrowing tale of a Kidnapping in Mexico

Throughout the month of April, organizations and agencies across Maryland have been holding events to honor and memorialize victims of crime. As part of these observations, the Maryland State Board of Victim Services has scheduled an awards luncheon to honor those who have helped victims. The event will highlight individuals and agencies in both the public and private sector that have demonstrated outstanding performance in providing services and support to Maryland's victims of crime during calendar year 2010.

Lieutenant Governor Anthony Brown will also participate in the event to honor the award recipients.

Guest speakers will be Mexican publisher Eduardo Valseca and his American-born wife Jayne Valseca. In 2007 Eduardo was kidnapped for ransom in Mexico by criminals who brutalized him and confined him to a box. His experience has been described as seven and a half months of sheer terror, torture, and desperation. The couple will discuss Eduardo's ordeal, and her determined and successful struggle to free him.

Details of the luncheon are:

DATE: Friday April 29, 2011
TIME: 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
WHERE: Club Meade
6600 Mapes Road
Fort George G. Meade, MD 20755

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Editors: Additional information on the Maryland State Board of Victim Services can be found on its web site: <http://www.goccp.maryland.gov/victim/victim-service-board.php>